THE MINISTER OF STATE *N THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) The Seventh Plan document does not specify any specific-target regarding the scheme for the Housing for the Economically Weaker Sections of the society in the urban areas. However, the targets are fixed by the Union Government on the year to year basis in consultation with the State Governments! Union Territory Admns.

(c) A target of 1. 08 lakh unit has been fixed for the scheme of the Housing for the Economically Weaker Sections during the year 1987-88

Contamination of vegetables etc. with Hydrocarbon insecticides

786. SHRI PAWiAN KUMAN BANSAL: Will the Minister of AGRICUL TURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that researches conducted by the Punjab Agricultural University and elsewhere have shown that vegetables, milk, butter and baby food sold in the market are contaminated with hydrocarbon insecticides; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what remedial measures are contemplated by Government to combat this problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE ^N THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha later on.

Housing- for retired Government employees

787. SHRI PA WAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have ta ken measures to formulate a scheme for providing housing facilities to retired Government employees who do not have any house of their own; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) Housing i_s a State subject and all social housing schemes are implemented by the State Governments and Union Territories as per their plan prioirties and local requirements.

However, reservation in various housing schemes, for various categories including retired Government employees are also made by the State Governments. As per reports received from various State Governments |UT Administrations so, far only Karnataka, Kerala, Punjab, Goa, Am-, daman & Nicobar Administration, Chandigarh, Pondicherry have made some provision for reservation of houses | sites to the retired public servants.

Quiz competition on environment

788. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of INFOR MATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal with the Doordarshan to organise and televise any quiz competition on environment; and v

(b) what are the details of the programmes televised during the last six months on environment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir. Doordarshan envisages to produce a quiz programme series on environmental issues and problems.

(b) A statement howing the details of the programmes telecast on environment by various Doordarshan Kendras during the last six months is enclosed. [See Appendix CXLIV. An-nexure No. 311

Shortfall of production in Malaiijkhand Copper Project

789. SHRI AJTT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state: